GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA

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Sponge Iron Plants
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the number of public and private sector sponge iron plants in the country at present, State/UT-wise including Chhattisgarh;

(b) the details of the possibilities of the employment generation in these plants;

(c) whether there is a provision to provide jobs to the local people in these plants; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

(a) The number of private and public Sector sponge iron plants in the country including Chhattisgarh during 2015-16 is given at Annexure-I.

(b) As per survey conducted by the Joint Plant Committee (JPC) in 2012-13, total employment in the domestic sponge iron market stood at 1,15,927 during the said year. State-wise details are shown in Annexure-II.

(c)&(d): Steel being a deregulated sector, the role of the Government is limited to that of a facilitator to provide a conducive policy environment for sustained growth and competitive development of the Industry. Specific decision on recruitment of employees in private steel sector is taken by individual steel companies/investors on the basis of their requirement. In the case of CPSUs, recruitment is based on Government guidelines.

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